

**2020 MUNICIPAL ANNUAL AUDIT  
AND  
FINANCIAL REPORT**

**350095 BENTON TWP, LACKAWANNA COUNTY**



## BENTON TWP, LACKAWANNA County

## BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 2020

		Governmental Funds				Proprietary Funds		Fid. Fund	Account Groups		Total
		General Fund	Special Revenue (Including State Liquid Fuels)	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Enterprise	Internal Service	Trust and Agency	General Fixed Assets	General Long Term Debt	Memorandum Only
<b>Liabilities and Other Credits</b>											
260-269	Long-Term-Liabilities										
240-259	Current Portion of Long-Term Debt and Other Credits										
<b>Total Liabilities and Other Credits</b>											
<b>Fund and Account Group Equity</b>											
281-284	Contributed Capital										
290.00	Investment in General Fixed Assets										
270-289	Fund Balance / Retained Earnings on 12/31	256,534	92,841								349,375
291-299	Other Equity										
<b>Total Fund and Account Group Equity</b>		256,534	92,841								349,375
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND AND ACCOUNT GROUP EQUITY</b>											349,375

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**STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES**

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**REVENUES**

**Taxes**

301.00	Real Estate Taxes	157,308						157,308
305.00	Occupation Taxes (levied under municipal code)							
308.00	Residence Taxes (levied by cities of the 3rd Class)							
309.00	Regional Asset District Sales Tax (Allegheny County municipalities only)							
310.00	Per Capita Taxes							
310.10	Real Estate Transfer Taxes	39,831						39,831
310.20	Earned Income Taxes / Wage Taxes	237,510						237,510
310.30	Business Gross Receipts Taxes							
310.40	Occupation Taxes (levied under Act 511)							
310.50	Local Services Tax **							
310.60	Amusement / Admission Taxes							
310.70	Mechanical Device Taxes							
310.90	Other: _____							
	Other: _____							
<b>Total Taxes</b>		434,649						434,649

**Licenses and Permits**

320-322	All Other Licenses and Permits	5,600						5,600
321.80	Cable Television Franchise Fees	10,903						10,903
<b>Total Licenses and Permits</b>		16,503						16,503

**Fines and Forfeits**

330-332	Fines and Forfeits	2,654						2,654
<b>Total Fines and Forfeits</b>		2,654						2,654

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**REVENUES**

<b>Interest, Rents and Royalties</b>								
341.00	Interest Earnings	659	692					1,351
342.00	Rents and Royalties	40,212						40,212
<b>Total Interest, Rents and Royalties</b>		40,871	692					41,563

<b>Federal</b>								
351.03	Highways and Streets	94,273						94,273
351.09	Community Development							
351.00	All Other Federal Capital and Operating Grants							
352.01	National Forest							
352.00	All Other Federal Shared Revenue and Entitlements							
353.00	Federal Payments in Lieu of Taxes							
<b>Total Federal</b>		94,273						94,273

<b>State</b>								
354.03	Highways and Streets							
354.09	Community Development							
354.15	Recycling / Act 101							
354.00	All Other State Capital and Operating Grants							
355.01	Public Utility Realty Tax (PURTA)	385						385
355.02- 355.03	Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax (Liquid Fuels Tax) and State Road Turnback		141,029					141,029
355.04	Alcoholic Beverage Licenses							
355.05	General Municipal Pension System State Aid							
355.07	Foreign Fire Insurance Tax Distribution	11,522						11,522
355.08	Local Share Assessment/Gaming Proceeds							
355.09	Marcellus Shale Impact Fee Distribution							

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**REVENUES**

State								
355.00	All Other State Shared Revenues and Entitlements							
356.00	State Payments in Lieu of Taxes							
<b>Total State</b>		11,907	141,029					152,936

Local Government Units								
357.03	Highways and Streets							
357.00	All Other Local Governmental Units Capital and Operating Grants							
358.00	Local Government Unit Shared Payments for Contracted Intergovernmental Services							
359.00	Local Governmental Units and Authorities Payments in Lieu of Taxes							
<b>Total Local Government Units</b>								

Charges for Service								
361.00	General Government	105						105
362.00	Public Safety	14,800						14,800
363.20	Parking							
363.00	All Other Charges for Highway & Street Services							
364.10	Wastewater / Sewage (including connection / tapping fees, sewer usage charges, reserve capacity fee, etc.)							
364.30	Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Charge (trash)	1,657						1,657
364.60	Host Municipality Benefit Fee for Solid Waste Facility							
364.00	All Other Charges for Sanitation Services							
365.00	Health							
366.00	Human Services							
367.00	Culture and Recreation							
368.00	Airports							

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**REVENUES**

Charges for Service								
369.00	Bars							
370.00	Cemeteries							
372.00	Electric System							
373.00	Gas System							
374.00	Housing System							
375.00	Markets							
377.00	Transit Systems							
378.00	Water System							
379.00	All Other Charges for Service							
<b>Total Charges for Service</b>		16,562						16,562

Unclassified Operating Revenues								
383.00	Special Assessments							
386.00	Escheats (sale of personal property)							
387.00	Contributions and Donations from Private Sectors							
388.00	Fiduciary Fund Pension Contributions							
389.00	All Other Unclassified Operating Revenues	2,361						2,361
<b>Total Unclassified Operating Revenues</b>		2,361						2,361

Other Financing Sources								
391.00	Proceeds of General Fixed Asset Disposition							
392.00	Interfund Operating Transfers							
393.00	Proceeds of General Long-Term Debt							
394.00	Proceeds of Short Term-Debt							

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**REVENUES**

Other Financing Sources								
395.00	Refunds of Prior Year Expenditures	8,101						8,101
<b>Total Other Financing Sources</b>		8,101						8,101

**TOTAL REVENUES**

627,881	141,721						769,602
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**EXPENDITURES**

General Government								
400.00	Legislative (Governing) Body	2,086						2,086
401.00	Executive (Manager or Mayor)							
402.00	Auditing Services / Financial Administration	425						425
403.00	Tax Collection	6,587						6,587
404.00	Solicitor / Legal Services	1,807						1,807
405.00	Secretary / Clerk	16,445						16,445
406.00	Other General Government Administration	8,336						8,336
407.00	IT-Networking Services-Data Processing							
408.00	Engineering Services							
409.00	General Government Buildings and Plant	85,103						85,103
<b>Total General Government</b>		120,789						120,789

**Public Safety**

410.00	Police							
411.00	Fire	35,350						35,350
412.00	Ambulance / Rescue							
413.00	UCC and Code Enforcement	5,188						5,188



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<b>Public Safety</b>								
414.00	Planning and Zoning	7,578						7,578
415.00	Emergency Management and Communications							
416.00	Militia and Armories							
417.00	Examination of Licensed Occupations							
418.00	Public Scales (weights and measures)	450						450
419.00	Other Public Safety							
<b>Total Public Safety</b>		48,566						48,566

<b>Health and Human Services</b>								
420.00-425.00	Health and Human Services							
<b>Total Health and Human Services</b>								

<b>Public Works - Sanitation</b>								
426.00	Recycling Collection and Disposal	1,601						1,601
427.00	Solid Waste Collection and Disposal (garbage)							
428.00	Weed Control							
429.00	Wastewater / Sewage Treatment and Collection							
<b>Total Public Works - Sanitation</b>		1,601						1,601

<b>Public Works - Highways and Streets</b>								
430.00	General Services - Administration	136,843	50,125					186,968
431.00	Cleaning of Streets and Gutters							
432.00	Winter Maintenance – Snow Removal	93,039	10,238					103,277
433.00	Traffic Control Devices	3,348						3,348
434.00	Street Lighting	999						999

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<b>Public Works - Highways and Streets</b>								
435.00	Sidewalks and Crosswalks							
436.00	Storm Sewers and Drains							
437.00	Repairs of Tools and Machinery	49,866	1,205					51,071
438.00	Maintenance and Repairs of Roads and Bridges	168,290	84,699					252,989
439.00	Highway Construction and Rebuilding Projects							
<b>Total Public Works - Highways and Streets</b>		452,385	146,267					598,652

<b>Other Public Works Enterprises</b>								
440.00	Airports							
441.00	Cemeteries							
442.00	Electric System							
443.00	Gas System							
444.00	Markets							
445.00	Parking							
446.00	Storm Water and Flood Control							
447.00	Transit System							
448.00	Water System							
449.00	Water Transport and Terminals							
<b>Total Other Public Works Enterprises</b>								

<b>Culture and Recreation</b>								
451.00	Culture-Recreation Administration							
452.00	Participant Recreation							
453.00	Spectator Recreation							
454.00	Parks							

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**EXPENDITURES**

<b>Culture and Recreation</b>								
455.00	Shade Trees							
456.00	Libraries							
457.00	Civil and Military Celebrations							
458.00	Senior Citizens' Centers							
459.00	All Other Culture and Recreation							
<b>Total Culture and Recreation</b>								

<b>Community Development</b>								
461.00	Conservation of Natural Resources							
462.00	Community Development and Housing							
463.00	Economic Development							
464.00	Economic Opportunity							
465-469	All Other Community Development							
<b>Total Community Development</b>								

<b>Debt Service</b>								
471.00	Debt Principal (short-term and long-term)	28,927						28,927
472.00	Debt Interest (short-term and long-term)	9,457						9,457
475.00	Fiscal Agent Fees							
<b>Total Debt Service</b>		38,384						38,384

<b>Employer Paid Benefits and Withholding Items</b>								
481.00	Employer Paid Withholding Taxes and Unemployment Compensation	15,795						15,795
482.00	Judgments and Losses							
483.00	Pension / Retirement Fund Contributions							

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**EXPENDITURES**

<b>Employer Paid Benefits and Withholding Items</b>								
484.00	Worker Compensation Insurance	18,765						18,765
487.00	Other Group Insurance Benefits							
<b>Total Employer Paid Benefits and Withholding Items</b>		34,560						34,560

<b>Insurance</b>								
486.00	Insurance, Casualty, and Surety	7,036						7,036
<b>Total Insurance</b>		7,036						7,036

<b>Unclassified Operating Expenditures</b>								
488.00	Fiduciary Fund Benefits and Refunds Paid							
489.00	All Other Unclassified Expenditures	37						37
<b>Total Unclassified Operating Expenditures</b>		37						37

<b>Other Financing Uses</b>								
491.00	Refund of Prior Year Revenues							
492.00	Interfund Operating Transfers							
493.00	All Other Financing Uses	11,982						11,982
<b>Total Other Financing Uses</b>		11,982						11,982

<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	715,340	146,267						861,607
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<b>EXCESS/DEFICIT OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	-87,459	-4,546						-92,005
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**BENTON TWP**  
December 31, 2020

**DEBT STATEMENT**

**OUTSTANDING BONDS AND NOTES**

Listed below are all currently outstanding bond and note issues according to our files, excluding bond issues redeemed or refunded and defeased. Please show the principal payments and make any other necessary corrections and additions.

Purpose	Bond (B) Capital Lease (C) Lease Rental (L) Note (N)	Issue Year (yyyy)	Maturity Year (yyyy)	Original Amount of Issue	Outstanding Beginning of Year (1)	Principal Incurred This Year	Principal Paid This Year	Current Year Accretion on Compound Interest Bonds	Outstanding at Year End (1)	Plus (less) Unamortized Premium (Discount)	Total Balance
<b>General Obligation Bonds and Notes</b>											
new construction	Note	2012	2032	150,000	103,711		7,000		96,711		96,711
<b>Revenue Bonds and Notes</b>											
<b>Lease Rental Debt</b>											
lease agreement - truck	Capital Leases	2016	2023	120,395	45,686		19,112		26,574		26,574
lease agreement- backhoe/loader	Capital Leases	2020	2023	65,037	65,037		9,815		55,222		55,222
<b>Other</b>											

(1) - excludes unamortized premium/discount

<b>Total bonds and notes outstanding</b>	178,507
<b>Capitalized lease obligations</b>	0
<b>Net debt</b>	178,507

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**STATEMENT OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURES**

December 31, 2020

Category	Capital Purchases	Capital Construction	Total
Community Development			
Electric			
Fire			
Gas System			
General Government			
Health			
Housing			
Libraries			
Mass Transit			
Parks			
Police			
Recreation			
Sewer			
Solid Waste			
Streets / Highways			
Water			
Other: _____			
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>			

**EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION**

Total salaries, wages, commissions, etc. paid this year (including all employees and elected officials)

184,034

ELECTED CONTROLLER'S/AUDITOR'S CERTIFIED OPINION

To the:
Governing Body of the Municipality
President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas
Secretary of the Department of Community & Economic Development

I/We, the undersigned, the duly elected (or appointed replacement), qualified, and Acting Controller/Auditors of the BENTON TWP have audited, adjusted and settled the various funds and account groups of the BENTON TWP for the year ended December 31, 2020. My/Our audit, adjustment and settlement was made in accordance with law rather than with generally accepted auditing standards

(PLEASE CROSS OUT ONLY IF ON MODIFIED ACCRUAL/ACCRUAL BASIS)

This municipality's policy is to prepare its financial statements on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements; consequently, certain revenues and the related assets are recognized when received rather than when earned, and certain expenditures or expenses are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements are not intended to present the financial position and results of operations of this municipality in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

These financial statements do not include all of the disclosures required by generally accepted accounting principles.

In my/our opinion, the aforementioned financial statements present the financial position of the various funds and account groups of the municipality of BENTON TWP for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the results of operations of such funds in accordance with the law.

SIGNATURE AND VERIFICATION

Signed: NICHOLAS SHYSHUK Elected Auditor
CONNIE OTTO Elected Auditor
JILL M. SPOTT Elected Auditor

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26 day of February, 2021.



Signed: \_\_\_\_\_
Witness (Controller)/Auditor (Auditors)

December 31, 2020

**NOTES / COMMENTS**